

WORK IN THE VINEYARD.

An Earnest, Practical, Sermon by
Rev. Dr. Cunningham.

THE TWO SIDES TO SERVICE OF GOD.

The Soul must Receive from Him
first—Lessons for To-day drawn
from the Parable of the Householder
who went out to hire Laborers.

At the First Presbyterian church yesterday Rev. Dr. Cunningham preached an eloquent sermon on the theme, "Laborers in the Vineyard." His text was Matthew, xx-1:

"For the Kingdom of Heaven is like unto a man that is a householder, which went out early in the morning to hire laborers into his vineyard."

The speaker first contrasted the parable of the marriage feast and that of laborers in the vineyard—in the one, people called to a great feast in the house of the king; in the other to work in a vineyard—on one hand rest; on the other hand toil. There is, on one hand, a call to enjoy blessings for nothing—by free grace; on the other hand, people laboring for a hire. And, what is more wonderful, all those who have been previously invited to the marriage refused to come, and all those who are sent to the labor accept.

There is no contradiction—these are two sides of the same gospel truth. First, we have to receive from God before we can give Him ourselves. First we must accept His kingdom and His everlasting riches, as these poor people who came to the marriage supper; there were the married, and the maid, and the blind. We must accept heaven by free grace; and when we have accepted it, we poor sinners, who had nothing to bring to God except our sins and our awful condemnation,—when we have accepted that everlasting Kingdom of Heaven, then we become laborers in the vineyard.

I have four questions to ask about this parable:

1. What is it to be laborers in God's vineyard?

When the people of Israel rejected the Messiah and killed Him, the vineyard was given to others. The first vineyard was hedged about, but the hedge was taken away by the death of Christ. It exists now over the whole world, and is still extending. The first laborers were the apostles and those who along with them went to preach Jesus Christ to Jew and gentile—apostles, evangelists, pastors and teachers. But now, every Christian is a laborer in the vineyard. The first vineyard in which we must work is our own heart. God is the husbandman, but we are laborers with him. Chief among our enemies is the devil, and one of his crafty deceptions is that we keep the vineyard of others and forget to keep our own. Christians are often so taken up with work that they forget to look at their own hearts. A fountain cannot give more water than it receives; but we remain near the Lord, that we may be in the outside good laborers in the vineyard. Fill by prayer your heart with love to Christ and to your fellow men, and from the abundance of the heart the mouth will speak aright.

2. In what state were those who were called to the vineyard?

They are idle. Is it possible? idle in the world where men are so active in pursuing their own aims, fortune, everything which is pleasant to their eyes! They are restlessly active, and you say they are idle. We must look upon everything from the point of view of God Himself. God has created the world for His own glory. He has created man for Himself. Every man is like a fig tree in His vineyard, and must bear fruit for good—for God. Allow me a kind of parable.

A householder left his estate for a time. He gave his garden to one of his servants, and said, "You must work in my garden, and keep it prosperous." Now, when he comes back, he looks at his garden, and sees that nothing has been done in it. He calls his servant and says, "You have done nothing—you have been idle." The servant answers, and shows to the master his own garden; and his garden was kept in perfect order, everything flourishing, the fruit splendid; and he says to the master, "Look how busy I have been in my own garden!" The master replies, "I do not keep you as a servant to work in your own garden. You are bound to work in my garden, and you have been idle, you have done nothing." It is the same when the Lord says to everyone that lives to himself, "Thou art idle; thou hast done nothing." For the whole question is, Do we belong to God or to ourselves? One may be a professing Christian, and do a great deal in religious matters, and devote part of his time and money to excellent purposes, and yet be idle. He may do it only by habit, or because everybody does. If he does not do it out of pure love to God, as being His property, he is idle.

3. What is the hire or reward given when the day is over? Some will say it means salvation; but we have seen that to be a laborer in the vineyard we must already have salvation, not a salvation reward. It is a free gift. The Lord here speaks of a reward which is promised to those who love him and who devote themselves to him.

Various references in the Scriptures to rewards were quoted, and the speaker concluded that the reward will consist in a higher measure of knowledge, of love and of power to love God.

4. What are those different hours of the day when the laborers are called?

They are the different times of history, the different periods of time, from the first promise after the fall, up to the second coming of Christ. In the beginning the sun was not yet very hot. We see the patriarchs, like Enoch, Abraham, Isaac, living long undisturbed—with very few outward collisions, peacefully with the Lord. But at the third hour, nine in the morning, the sun is already hot, and the prophets had much to suffer for Christ. Zechariah was stoned, Isaiah was sawn asunder. And then comes the great heat of the noon and afternoon to the apostles and first Christians during the three first centuries of the church, and to all those who had to suffer in the Middle Ages, to the time of the Reformation. Oh, the day was hot! No one could say, I belong to Christ, without exposing himself to most horrible torments. They worked in the heat of the day; they gave their lives to the flames, singing to the glory of their Master.

And those of the eleventh hour? We are they. For indeed the sun is near to its setting, and the times are already times when persecution has disappeared. You are not exposed to suffer much for the profession of Christ; in some quarters the profession of evangelical religion is even quite fashionable. But let us remember that in every period there is a fire that must consume us—the fire of an intense love to the Lord, a real fire devouring in us all that is of the world, all that is of ourselves, all that is of sin. If we are no more called to be martyrs and to die in excruciating torments, let us the more

strive inwardly everything for Christ, and undergo any sacrifice in his service.

The different periods of life, from childhood to old age, were also pictured as different hours of the day. Dr. Cunningham dwelt at length on the work of children for the Master. The young men and women were eloquently addressed as those called about the third hour, and men and women of riper age and experience about the noon hour. Those in advanced age are the laborers called at the ninth hour.

The eleventh hour applies to the old man and old woman who have life behind and eternity before them. Only a few years, perhaps a few weeks or days and the dream of life will have passed away.

The speaker concluded his impressive discourse with these words:

Let none think in this congregation that the laborers at the eleventh hour are only the old people. Perhaps the laborer at the eleventh hour is a young man in the full possession of his vigor, who next Sabbath will be no more here, but will have passed into the infinite and everlasting; and God has brought him here because He knows it was the last occasion on which he was to hear this word. Oh, let every young person here say to our beloved Savior, who has called you, "O Lord, here I am, to do thy will; speak, O Lord, for thy servant heareth." Amen.

Throughout, the sermon was attentively listened to by a large congregation.

MARTIN'S FERRY.

Accidents and Incidents in that Thriving City—Personal and Industrial.

To-day is election-day. All the arrangements are complete. The polls will open at 6 a. m. and close at 6 p. m. The voting places will be as follows: First ward, old school house near the Elson glass works; Second ward, council chamber; Third ward, Sloan's carpenter shop, Madison street. Make a cross to the left of the head of the Republican ticket, that is to the left of the words "Republican ticket," and this will vote it straight. If you wish to vote for the electric light plant and to vote for paying for the fire alarm, place an X to the left of the line, on the bottom of the ticket reading "Yes." The voting for the Board of Education will be under the old law, also the voting in the country precinct. Much hustling has been done and the indications are that a large vote will be polled. The election will be one of the most hotly contested in the history of Martin's Ferry.

Says the *Ohio State Journal*: "John W. Crooks, who is well known through Ohio, represents the true personality of a self-made man. On account of the death of his father he left school at the age of 12 years. He is a man of strictly moral habits, is genial, honest and temperate and has the respect and confidence of a community proud to own him."

Mr. James Carter, a glassworker, employed in the Northwest glass works, addressed the Y. M. C. A. meeting on Saturday night, and Mr. Benjamin Exley the regular Sunday afternoon meeting.

On account of repairs being made Squire Howells has moved his office from the Appenzeller building in Bridgeport to the mayor's office.

Mr. and Mrs. William Beall, of Fourth street, are entertaining Miss Lena Reed, of Illinois, and Miss Maud Coffland, of Bridgeport.

Mrs. John Stewart, aged 29 years, died at the family residence, corner Penn and Second streets, of typhoid fever.

Mrs. Mary Michaels and Miss Carrie Hackman, of Pittsburgh, visited their brother, Dr. Monroe Hackman, yesterday.

Miss Strickland, an employe at the Buckeye glass works, had her hand badly burned with acid on Saturday.

Mr. Mont Romick attended the funeral of his uncle, Charles W. McGonigle, at Clarington yesterday.

Every Republican in Martin's Ferry should vote to-day, and see that his neighbor does likewise.

Mr. Lewis Smith, traveling salesman for the Buckeye Glass Works, is home for a few days.

Fresh Garden Seeds in bulk and package at J. Williams' grocery, on Washington street.

The freight depot of the Wheeling & Lake Erie and Terminal was opened on Saturday.

The forge department at the Standard mill lay off Saturday until further notice.

Two wagon loads of window glass received at Ong's drug store. All sizes.

Place an X to the left of "Republican ticket," and this will vote it straight.

Mrs. Nancy Green, of Steubenville, is visiting her son, Thomas Green, Esq.

Miss Mollie Stewart, of Benwood, visited Miss Jennie Dixon over Sunday.

Rev. James Selby, of Wellsview, visited relatives here on Saturday.

Mr. George Robertshaw, who has been on the sick list, is better.

W. T. Lewis, state labor commissioner, is home for a few days.

The electric light and fire alarm will probably carry to-day.

Mr. Ross Giffis moved his family to Lazearville last week.

William Lewis, of East Liverpool, spent Sunday here.

Nellie, daughter of Mr. George Snodgrass, is quite ill.

The entire Republican ticket should be elected to-day.

Mr. Jess Jones is home from Pittsburgh on a visit.

Mr. Mortimer Williams is home from Pennsylvania.

Mr. John Vickers is the father of a girl baby.

Miss Alice Thomas has returned from Irondale.

Vote for John W. Crooks for township clerk.

Mr. William Lloyd is on the sick list.

Charley Bartholomew is very sick.

Mr. L. Pracht has the pneumonia.

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WHAT IS THIS?

An Overdose of Morphine—And Why?



A lady was found dead upon her bed. Investigation showed that she had been a terrible sufferer from nervous weakness and prostration, probably aggravated by Spring debility which so weakens us all in this season of the year. For months she had complained of being tired and nervous, her stomach and bowels troubled, there was palpitation, headache, malaria, strange, faint feelings, and for the last week she had felt discouraged, depressed in mind, miserable. In a fit of dejection she took her own life by an overdose of morphine.

A peculiar after-effect of the Grip is that, owing to its extreme weakening effects upon the nerves, it makes people feel blue, depressed and discouraged and without their former joyous feelings.

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BELLAIRES.

All Sorts of Local News and Gossip from the Glass City.

The vote in this city to-day will be under the Australian ballot system, and this is the first municipal election held under that law. Usually in local contests there is a great deal of mixing in making up the tickets, but it is reasonably certain that there will be less scratching in Bellairs to-day than in any local election ever held here. That floating vote that cares nothing for politics or correct local government is not confident of being able to mark off the various candidates they wish support under the old system of voting, and rather than lose their vote, will cast their ballot with their preference for mayor with one X at the top. There is sure to be less trouble in counting tonight than usual.

There was a "sunrise" service at the First M. E. church yesterday morning at 6 o'clock, and early as that is on Sabbath morning, there was a good attendance. It was prompted by the very successful revival services that have been held at this church the past two weeks. About thirty new members have been taken in.

Col. C. L. Poorman will go to Columbus this week to get some insight into the secretary of state's office. He does not take charge until the 15th inst., but will spend some time with Mr. Ryan, getting the run of things. The Colonel does not intend to take his family to Columbus, at least not for the present.

Roder Bros. have their old furnace torn down and have done about all that can be done toward rebuilding until the insurance is adjusted. One insurance company in which they held a policy failed since their fire and three others have not come to time.

The saloons did not do the usual good business yesterday, but some of them cleaned it. Most of them were afraid, however, as common pleas court convenes the latter part of this month, and Sunday violators always get some jail in that court.

The temperance people held a mass convention in the Christian church yesterday afternoon that was well attended. It was a sort of brace just before the battle. Some prohibitionists really expected to elect the marshal.

The contest for city solicitor has grown more than warm, until now considerable feeling is manifested over this office; more, so far as the candidates are concerned, than for any other place to be filled.

Henry T. Day and H. D. Dougherty, of this city, secured four miles and 360 yards of Jefferson county pike by contract last week. Both have been contractors on the pikes in the vicinity.

Mr. J. M. Maring is here to arrange for the shipping of his blooded horses to Cambridge City, where Mr. Webster, who handled horses on the Island last summer, will train them, with others.

Marshal Shepherd ran in a single delinquent Saturday night who was turned loose yesterday, and this is all of the police record on the eve of an election.

The high water last week backed up over the Bellairs driving course and left a smoother, better track than a week's work would have made.

Henry Leontart was sent to jail last Saturday by Squire Mason, the charge being that he had disposed of two watches left with him to repair.

William H. Gill, who is superintending the building of a new pot works, being built by Gill Bros., at Muncie, Ind., came home to vote.

George Westlake has signed with the Atlanta, Ga., base ball club to play second base this season. Robert has not yet signed.

James C. Tallman is the assignee of W. D. Lashley, whose liabilities are \$2,000 and his assets appraised at \$1,750.

Work will be resumed this week on the pikes being built in this township.

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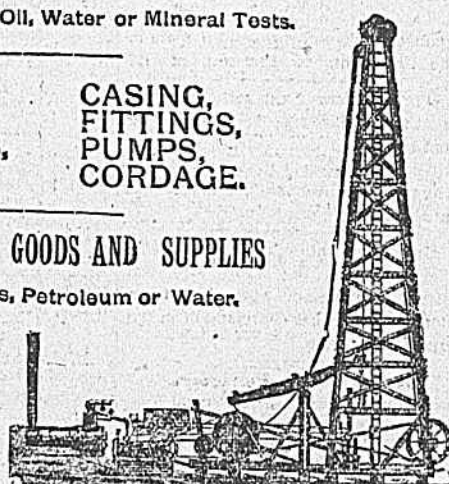
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Fourth street residence. 3.000
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Six-roomed house on Woods street, Centre Wheeling, \$1,500.
Lots on South Chapline, East and Jacob streets, from \$150 to \$500 each.
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Business house on corner Twenty-sixth and Chapline streets.
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